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Title: Regarding problems being faced by the public due to call drops.

SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY (KOLKATA UTTAR): Madam, I want to raise an issue and want to draw the attention of the hon. Finance Minister also. ...(*Interruptions*)

The call drop issue has become a very sensitive issue throughout the country. While talking for ten to fifteen minutes, the line is being disconnected for at least 15 to 17 times. What for do I want to draw your attention? The private group assured that they would pay Re. 1 charge to the customer. I would like to know whether the Government has taken any step to collect or to pay this amount to those customers who are using these telephone lines whether it is Vodafone, AirTel, Idea, Reliance or even BSNL or MTNL and how much money has been collected. In my opinion, I think the whole House will also agree that this problem has caused tremendous anxiety in the country. Why is the Government not taking up the issue on the floor of the House so that we can elaborately discuss it? I will be very happy if the Government or at least somebody from the Government would respond and give us light how we are coming out of these typical call drop problems which are prevailing in the whole country. ...(*Interruptions*)

HON. SPEAKER: Shri Rajeev Satav, Shri M.B. Rajesh, Shri P.K. Biju, Dr. A. Sampath, Shri Jose K. Mani, Shri Joice George, Shri Bhairon Prasad Mishra, and *m09 Shri Nishikant Dubey are permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri Sudip Bandyopadhyay.

...(*Interruptions*)